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### CALIFORNIA

James B. Dunlap's Interesting Letter Concluded

LOS ANGELES, December 30, 1886.

In summer the days are often quite hot from 10 A. M. till 3 P. M.; about that time in the afternoon the breeze sets in from the ocean and continues until about midnight, when it turns and blows back from the mountains for the remainder of the night and far into the morning. Thus the nights are always kept cool—no less than two blankets will suffice for bed covering even in July. It is hard for me to realize that the weather is blue blizzard cold in Kentucky to day, while I am sitting in my office, Thursday, Dec. 30th, with no fire and the windows up; however I kindled a small fire one or two mornings this week to drive out the dampness. I've seen the same thing done in Kentucky in June. I know you would be amused to see a Los Angeles office stove. There are two kinds, the one before me has a body two feet long, is but little larger than a section of stove pipe and, in fact, looks very much like one; the other kind is just no stove at all, simply some gas jets in front of a checkered copper reflector. Either is sufficient. I remember that I was enjoying a model summer day when I read in the INTERIOR JOURNAL some time this winter that a large crowd gathered in the court house to hear Bro. Barnes, notwithstanding a bitterly cold storm was raging. I saw a match game of base ball Christmas day—another is advertised for January 21. It is not unusual in December to see bathers in the surf at Long Beach and Santa Monica, though the practice is not general, being confined principally to hardened fishermen and "tenderfeet," the latter seldom repeat before summer.

The greatest singer in the world, Adeline Patti, will sing here on the 17th of January, in a hall with a seating capacity of 1,600, that has no fire and no place for one! Imagine yourself sitting in the Stanford Opera House for two hours on the night of January 17th, without a fire! Here—care with closed sides are unpopular except when the rain is pouring down. The Congregational church in Los Angeles is completely surrounded with rows of big white stables in bloom. At the graduating exercises of the Christmas class of the State Normal school there were as many bouquets and flower designs as seen at June commencements in Stanford. Snow, sleet and cyclones never come and early rising has lost its terrors.

On the subject of southern California being a health resort I feel incompetent to write. I can say nothing from a personal standpoint, having never known what it was to want good health. I know that the number of health seekers is very great and on that account wish to be especially careful on this theme, for to me no practice is more contemptible than that of conjuring up illusive pictures before the fevered fancy of an invalid. I have heard of a great many people who claim that they took one foot out of the grave to come here, and who look very little like consumptives now. Of course, they may have exaggerated the ailments, as many love to do, but their present state must be genuine—no every day look of health can not be assumed.

Physicians claim that this is the sanatorium of the world—the same is claimed for Florida, North Carolina and many other places. I am trying hard to prevent any one being deceived by what I hear. It will be observed that the testimony so far given is hearsay. I know a few things—only a few. I know that there is no malaria here. I know that formerly visit Los Angeles and that there are places a few miles up in the mountains where they never come. I know that thousands come here for health. I know that vast numbers claim that they feel benefited. I know that many have told me that they have been healed. I know that I've seen more people here who claim that they are contented and wouldn't live anywhere else, than any other place I've known. I know that there is enjoyment all the time. Let those who adore balmy air, outdoor life and living while they do live, consider Los Angeles (I would like to add in parenthesis, that if this should attract the attention of any seeker after health, to whom I can be of service, I'll take pleasure in answering personal letters and in giving the benefit of what I can learn from others. J. B. D.) I agree not to give opinions, but to state facts. It is a fact that it is the almost universal prediction of those who have seen this country that there are children alive now who will see it the most thickly populated portion of the United States. The practical asks, and very properly, too, "What are the people to live on? They can't eat oranges and wear climate." A market for fruits alone would make the country rich. I know an old gentleman who sold oranges

off a ten acre ranch this year for \$3,400. Wheat, corn, barley, hay, alfalfa (a species of clover that may be cut as many as seven times a year), sheep, cattle, goats, hogs, horses, (mules, niggers and oxen are scarce and toll gates none at all) and a never ending supply of garden vegetables and fruits—such things help a man to make a living, don't they? "Well now," says that same practical man, and he is right about it, "in a country possessing no many attractions there must be some drawbacks—what are the drawbacks?"

1st. The presence of the Chinese—such a sentence implies an abundance of evil, which you people beyond the Rocky Mountains can not appreciate. A city that has a Chinatown, has a wart on its nose, a prominent, constant annoyance. 2d. Dusty roads—that is, in the summer season; in rainy weather if not in adobe (a do by) soil they become packed hard and are splendid. 3d. Lack of large trees, such as oak, ash, poplar, maple, &c. &c., thus making lumber and wood for fuel very high. California has the largest trees in the world but I'm speaking of the general growth. The name of the large trees, is Sequoia, a word which contains all the vowels and overleaps all rules by having four in a row. The trees are situated in Mariposa county, the largest being 320 feet in height, 30 feet at the ground and having a bark over 12 inches thick. 4th. The water supply is not as good as it should be. With a few exceptions of minor importance this completes the list of evils, every one of which can be removed or remedied.

In business there is no lack of stir; trade is driving right along. Money loans at 10 per cent net—the note calls for 13 per cent, but the mortgage pays taxes. When I say 10 per cent net that means on a well secured loan; if one trust to shrewd investment and proper handling he plays without a limit.

I wish you a happy New Year.

J. B. DUNLAP.

### Not on the Brils

East St. Louis furnished a sensation last week that has not been approached since the strike. During the morning hours the railroad depot is crowded with people waiting for the various trains. Yesterday an "Uncle Tom's Cabin" party arrived and immediately began transferring its property to a Jerseyville train. Among the actors with the show are two Siberian bloodhounds. Robert Gray, of East St. Louis was an interested spectator, as also was his large English mastiff. The latter watched the proceedings intently until the bloodhounds were trotted out of the car. Both were muzzled and the mastiff thought he saw a soft thing. With a terrible growl he leaped on one of the bloodhounds and proceeded to eat him up. The bloodhound fought hard, but handicapped as he was by the muzzle, he was rapidly being reduced to pulp. Then one of the show men slipped the muzzle off the other bloodhound and he attacked the mastiff. The spectators ran away, and the bloodhounds soon had the mastiff bleeding in a dozen places. Mr. Gray ran forward to save his dog and was bitten in the leg and arm. Two of the negro jubilee singers then attacked Mr. Gray and he drew a revolver and fired twice without effect. The negroes were arrested and some one in the crowd shot the bloodhounds. The mastiff, or what is left of him, is still alive.

Sixty years ago Robin and Allen Wilber, of Hartford, Ind., agreed that thereafter they would have all property and business in common. This life partnership has never been dissolved; indeed, it is said that the brothers have never had the slightest misunderstanding, and to-day they are rich and highly esteemed by all who know them. Their property is absolutely the property of both, they never give any but joint notes, they never contract a debt that is not equally binding upon each, and they are rare examples of happiness and prosperity.

Gen. Grant died at the age of 63. Gen. Logan died at the age of 63. Gen. Hancock died at the age of 61. Gen. McClellan died at the age of 60. Gen. Halleck died at 59. Gen. George G. Meade died at 57. Gen. George H. Thomas died at 54. Gen. W. T. Sherman is the only one of the few great generals of the war who has passed far beyond the fatal 63, and Farragut is greatest naval hero.

The increase in the output of iron and steel for the past year has been remarkable. The pig iron product for the past year is placed at 5,000,000 gross tons, or 40 per cent more than for the year 1885. The Bessemer steel rail output is 1,500,000 tons, or more than 50 per cent greater than for the previous year, while the increase in other branches of the iron and steel industry is in nearly the same proportion.

If you have no business at a place don't stay there unless you are sure you are giving somebody pleasure without serious inconvenience to any. A delicate sense, which tells when it is time to go and when to tarry, is twice blessed, blessing him that goes and him that tarries.

Four years ago the town of Webster, D. T., was unpeopled. Recently religious services were held by five different denominations in five different churches. Chicago Herald.

### GARRARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT.

#### Lancaster.

—Miss Bessie Engleman, of Lincoln was visiting Mrs. Sam Engleman last week. —Over 100 new suits have been filed for the January term of the Garrard Circuit court which begins next Monday.

—James W. Miller, Esq., of Memphis, Mo., is visiting relatives in this county. Mrs. G. W. King and Miss Judith King, of Crab Orchard, were guests of relatives last week.

—The enterprising correspondent of the Enquirer at this place telegraphed the fact to that paper of the burning of the residence of Mr. John W. Logan when no such fire occurred. Could this be called incendiary journalism?

—Messrs. A. H. Rice and Pony B. B. B. started to Danville this morning, but the horse they were driving endeavored to execute a war dance and in so doing fell down breaking the buggy shafts and completely destroying the harness. The gentlemen were unhurt.

—The many Lancaster friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Yantis, of Independence, Ky., were pained to receive the news of the burning of their residence last week. This is the second time they have suffered the loss of their home by fire since removing from Lancaster.

—Lancaster may be said to be enjoying a small boom in the erection of dwelling houses. Several are now in the course of erection and in the spring when the proposed new streets are opened some twelve or fifteen gentlemen have signified their intentions of building. This is a move in the right direction and this thing of half the residents in town having to hunt a place to remove to the first of every January will be forever averted.

#### Hints From the Postmaster.

When you call at the office for your mail and the postmaster hands it out, ask him if that is all.

If you ask for your mail, and he tells you there is none, tell him there ought to be, then go home and send the rest of the family around to ask at different times through the day.

Don't bring your mail to the office until the mail closes, then curse the postmaster for not opening the mail bag and putting your letter in.

When you want a stamp on your letter tell the postmaster to put it on; if he don't like it kick him. In case you put it on yourself, ask it in your mouth long enough to remove the mucilage; it will then stick until it is dry.

Be sure and ask the postmaster to credit you for stamps; if he has any accommodation about him he will do it.

If you have a box stand and drum on it until the postmaster hands out your mail; it makes him feel good, especially if he is waiting on somebody else.

ABATING A NUISANCE.—"I was on a train in Iowa the other day," said a traveling man, "which stopped half an hour at a dinner station. A vain and dandish young fellow with a small hand bag persisted in walking up and down the platform directly in front of the coaches and gazing impudently in the faces of the lady passengers near the open windows. He was so impudent that I soon found myself about mad enough to go out and give him a talking to. But before I reached that point a rough faced young woman sitting near me settled him a good deal easier than I could have done it. She stuck her head out of the window just as he was going by and called out to him.

"Say, sonny, are you selling apples or peanuts?"

"There was a titter the whole length of the car, and no more annoyance from the dandish young man on the platform."—Chicago Herald.

Lawrence Krug, of Chicago, was married in September, 1885, and went on a bride-tour to New York, during which his wife died. Before returning home he married a second wife, who likewise died in a short time. Two months later Krug was a third time married, and in six weeks this wife also died. Closely following her death came that of Krug's daughter, a seemingly healthy young lady of 18 years. Each of these four persons was insured for \$1,000 in the Knights and Ladies of Honor, in favor of Krug, and the funeral of his daughter was stopped by the police Saturday until an investigation can be had, pending which Krug is under surveillance.

With due deference to the honorable aspirations of the other gentlemen, our judgment leads us to the support of the Hon. John D. Harris, and, in future issues, we shall give our readers, as we think, ample reasons for our choice of this gentleman. We may now say that we believe him to be the next governor. He is the "Farmer Statesman," a true Kentuckian and will make the very kind of a governor now needed by the State. And further, he can unite the democracy of the State, so as to snow under any opposition, to the tune of 50,000 or 75,000. —Hawesville Plaindealer

"Mr. Lighthouse" said Johnny, "my sister treats you better'n she does me." "Does she Johnny?" asked Lighthouse, with a laugh. "Way do you think so?" "Well, I heard her tell me she gave you lots of taffy, but she never gives me any."

### HUSTONVILLE, LINCOLN COUNTY.

—The young folks indulged in an impromptu dance at the Weatherford House Friday night.

—Dunlap's sprightly letter in your last strikes very near the centre fact in its philippic against our pernicious policy on the common school question.

—Rev J. C. Randolph entertained a splendid large congregation on Sunday at the Presbyterian church. The Christian church has secured the services of Elder Ballou for the current year first and third Sundays.

—Mr. Blakeman will enter on his next term of school at the College on Monday, the 24th inst. Miss Mary Thompson will continue her school at Mr. Williams' and Miss Sallie Thurmond at the Parochial Academy.

—You have noticed the enterprise now on foot for shipping 50,000 tons of canal coal annually from Kentucky to England. This is certainly a novel traffic, but the parties seem to be in dead earnest. The great deposit of this mineral is located in or under Breckinridge county, and it will of course be shipped by way of New Orleans. Kentucky, therefore, is about to prove that the act of "carrying coals to Newcastle" is not such a practical absurdity as has been generally supposed.

—During a casual call at Lebanon last week I had a pleasant interview with your former townsman, Frank Anthony. He seems to be as busy as of yore, and is certainly a first-class official. Everything about his establishment seems to be in fine working order and running smoothly. Of course Editor Hopper was on the platform, catching items for his paper. Campbellville was besieged by a host of insatiable drummers, who, like Pharaoh's locusts, filled the atmosphere and clouded the heavens. I believe every one I saw, except John Hughes and Nath Woodcock, was infesting that unfortunate road. Greensburg begins to show the marks of age. Most of the old citizens who gave it prestige in former days have passed from earth. Many of the more enterprising of a later generation have found in Louisville and other bustling localities a more promising field of action.

But the place still contains many excellent people, who enjoy life to the fullest and love their dear old surroundings with filial fondness. A band of music assembled at the train and gave Alcorn and bride a hearty and well-executed serenade as they were taking their departure. This happy young couple have settled down quietly in Danville.

A quart bottle of whisky stood on the table when Mrs. Mary O'Neill left her home on Cherry street, New York, for a brief time the other day, leaving her son Johnny, aged five years, alone. When his mother returned, some hours later, he was unconscious and the bottle empty. His face was swollen and distorted and the skin of a dark reddish hue. Efforts to revive him were fruitless and he died that night in convulsions. —[N. Y. Herald.

Do theatrical stars employ a group of people to take a box and chatter while the play is going on, in order that they may stalk down to the footlight and get off that old chestnut, "Perhaps we are disturbing these people?" Miss Ward was the last to say that at the Chestnut, Philadelphia, but the audience didn't applaud. They had heard it too often.

There are 37 persons and corporations in Boston that are assessed for more than a million each. The tax on \$1,000,000 is \$12,700.

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IN nominating our esteemed friend, the talented orator and profound lawyer, Col. William O. Bradley for governor on the republican ticket, we took occasion to refer to his military record in these words: "He was a gallant colonel in the Federal army and having fought with great heroism through four years of bloody war, he is just the man to catch the soldier vote, and give the hero of Fort Donelson, who smelted powder a little himself, a power of fun in the canvass, should be the democratic nominee." We knew that we were stretching the blanket fearfully, but it sounded pretty and we were willing to do or say most anything to advance the interests of our friend, and consequently did not label it a "joke." Dozens of papers copied the article in good faith and our hero was becoming famous as a mighty warrior, when the Danville Advocate with malice aforethought and evil preposse, endeavors to stem the current of the greatest boom of the century by reproducing our article and adding this hateful comment: "We think our neighbor is somewhat 'off' on the war record of Col. Bradley. Our understanding is that the 'Colonel' did not risk the shedding of any blood in the late 'unpleasantness,' but secured his title on his good looks." Our usually well informed neighbor is himself more than somewhat off. Col. Bradley did risk the shedding of blood, for Smith's history of Kentucky, now before us, says he enlisted at the tender age of 14, careful however to omit further reference. That justice may be done our friend, who is as pretty as he is brilliant, we are preparing at great cost and inconvenience a true history of his military achievements from the most reliable data obtainable, which we shall publish in due time, and until then we ask the public to hold its breath and not express an opinion in the premises until all the facts are before them.

CLUVERIUS, the young lawyer who seduced his cousin, Fannie Lillian Madison, and then threw her into the reservoir at Richmond, Va., to keep the result of their sin from becoming public, and enable him, it is said, to marry another young lady, paid the penalty with his life Friday. The prominence of the parties, one being a descendant of President Tyler and the other of Mr. Madison, gave the case a wide interest, and it has been the local sensation since the deed was committed in March, 1885. Every effort was made by influential friends to save the neck of the heartless young criminal, but without avail, and he met death, like he had passed through the trying ordeal of a trial, conviction, sentence and subsequent imprisonment, with that stoical indifference that has characterized him from the beginning. Not a tremor escaped him and he refused to confess or deny his guilt to the last. The conviction was entirely on circumstantial evidence, but it was so strong that but little doubt of his guilt could be entertained. He was the only one that could have wished to have the poor girl out of the way, and he either murdered her or she committed suicide and the facts are all against the latter theory. From first to last the case has created even more interest than that of James Jeter Phillips who was hung a decade or so ago there for the murder of his wife, whose conviction was also on circumstantial evidence. The fact that Cluverius was permitted to hang shows that the law is still supreme in Virginia. He never would have adorned the gallows in this State on the same testimony.

JACK COX, an eminent citizen of the cozy mountain village of Hazel Green, loved whisky not wisely but too well, but was permanently cured of the pernicious habit of drinking a few days ago. Some fellow bet him \$50 to a nickel that he could not drink three large tumblers full at one performance. He put up his nickel, put down the whisky and won the bet, but in a few moments he was where liquid brom stone heaved to a red-hotness is the only beverage, and a lake of fire the only place for ablutions.

JOHN FORBES, who lives near Wabash, Ind., needs to feel the halter draw about as badly as any one we have read of. He beat his wife to insensibility and then laid her on the railroad track for a coming train to finish the work, but she revived in time to crawl off. That he was permitted to live an hour after his capture shows that a little infusion of Kentucky blood would help that locality.

LOGAN's successor in the Senate has been named and it is Charles B. Farwell, a Chicago millionaire, whose principal qualification seems to be in his money. He is a banker by profession and a politician by practice. The nomination was made on the second ballot. The democrats complimented Mr. Morrison with their votes.

THE Covington Commonwealth charges the movement by the politicians in that "neck of the woods" to promote Mr. Carlisle to the Senate to selfish motives. They want him out of the way so that they can get a show for his place in Congress.

WYLLIE TOLLIVER, an uncle of Craig, was killed in Rowan last week by a man named Bradley, in a personal quarrel. It would be a God send to Rowan if Mr. Bradley would continue his work of cleaning out the Tolliver family.

Gen. Hawley has been re-elected Senator by the Connecticut Legislature.

THE President's private secretary tells the correspondent of the Courier-Journal that hardly a change is contemplated at the White House, but that the democratic members of the House and Senate have come there and urged that no change be made. Col. Lamont also states that he is satisfied that many democrats talk otherwise among their friends in regard to the changes and civil service reform, than they do to the President. The correspondent adds: "It is difficult to find words strong enough to characterize this inconsistent and characterless duplicity, and if it is in the power of your correspondent by any manner of means to obtain the names of those Janus-faced democrats he will certainly publish them, both friends and enemies, come from what quarter they may." A great many of our alleged great men are simply snakes in the grass and found to be very small potatoes when you go to dig for them. Men guilty of such treachery deserve the most ignominious political death, and we will do what we can to assist in their execution, when their names are revealed.

IF Mr. Waterson will turn his attention for a few days from criticizing the President and order his 100,000 Kentuckians, armed this time, to march upon Indianapolis and wipe from the face of the earth the republicans of the Legislature assembled there, who are overriding the will of the majority, justice and fair play, by unseating democratic members without a particle of legal or valid excuse, we promise to respond with the finest company that can be started. In all earnestness the situation in Indiana demands the most heroic treatment and the honest men of the country will applaud any means the democrats may employ to drive the usurpers into jail or obscurity.

REAGAN's Interstate Commerce Bill, which is to cure all the evils of excessive railroad charges and discriminations, in a horn, passed the Senate by 43 to 15. The House will follow suit and then the members will come marching home to prove to their constituents that they weren't afraid to vote against a railroad, even with a couple of dozens of free tickets in their pockets. The bill would look a great deal better if it had a few lines in the section forbidding a greater charge for the short than the long haul, prohibiting members of Congress from being hauled either the long or the short distance except for the cash that other people pay.

PARIS physicians are making some wonderfully successful experiments in hypnosis and proving as perfectly practicable the transmission by magnetism from one person to another of certain nervous phenomena, such as dumbness, paralysis of the legs and arms, violent pains and coxalgia, and the final elimination of the evil from the original sufferer. The dispatch states that the cures seem at first sight to be nothing short of miracles, and certainly they equal in dramatic intensity many cases narrated in the New Testament.

THE democrats of Indiana continue to play the devil. With such worthy men as McDonald, Holman and others from which to choose a Senator, they nominated Judge David Turpie, a pretty good man, but possessing neither the qualifications nor the deserved promotion that the others do. When Mr. Bright was expelled from the U. S. Senate in 1863 Turpie was appointed in his stead and served the remaining 50 days of the term. He is at present U. S. District Attorney.

THE republicans of the Indiana Legislature renominated Senator Harrison and they will elect him, too, no matter how much rascality is required nor how many democratic members it will be necessary to unseat. One thing can be said of the republicans, they always have the courage to execute their plans, devilish and diabolical though they be.

A MICHIGAN woman is obeying a biblical command with a vengeance, that to increase and multiply. Two years ago she gave birth to twins, a year later to triplets and a few days ago she astonished the natives by presenting a litter of four. If they are all boys, and live, some fellow can make big money by employing them as a base ball nine.

AN awful warning to lovers not to kiss comes from Louisville. John Ingers spent the evening with the girl who had promised to become his wife and when he arose to go, indulged in the usual ocularatory performance. As he did so he experienced a choking sensation and falling to the floor, died in a short time.

IT is said that the House will refuse to concur in the Senate bill to give Mrs. Logan a \$2,000 pension annually. There is no sense or reason in such a disposal of the public money. Mrs. Logan is no pauper and her husband was not a disabled soldier.

THE Senate Committee has again agreed to report adversely on the nomination of J. C. Matthews, to be register of deeds in the District of Columbia. The Senate is republican and Matthews is a negro. No further comment is necessary.

THE prohibitionists can lead in a prayer of thankfulness. A distillery burned at Terre Haute Saturday and with it a million dollars' worth of whisky.

GEN. BUCKNER is at last officially announced for governor, tho' he has been running for the office like a scared hound for five years.

—Last week was bad one for murderers, fully a dozen suffering the death penalty in the United States. Four were swung off from one gallows alone at Fort Smith, Ark.

IF the newspapers have any say in the matter, Prof. Pickett will not succeed himself as Superintendent of Public Instruction. The South Kentuckian's comment is about in keeping with the rest, when it says: "He is utterly unfit for the office he fills. He is old, deaf and incompetent and for eight years has drawn a salary that he did almost nothing to earn. He was nominated because he was in the rebel army and he should by all means be retired this year."

NOTES OF CURRENT EVENTS.

—Mrs. Henry W. Winn died near Bloomington, Ill., after fasting 47 days.

—W. M. Clement, late general manager of the Cincinnati Southern, is dead.

—The business portion of Lawrence, Kansas, suffered \$200,000 loss by fire.

—Tucker's substitute for the Senate bill to suppress polygamy in Utah has passed the House.

—Judge DeHaven, of LaGrange, has written a card declining to be a candidate for governor.

—The Kansas City Dramatic Company gave an unsatisfactory performance at Tolons, Ill., and were mobbed.

—Chief Justice James Jackson, of Georgia, died at Atlanta last week, aged 67. He served in Congress before the war.

—W. C. Whitthorne, who has relatives in Danville, was chosen U. S. Senator to succeed Judge Jackson, in Tennessee.

—McLean county, this State, was added to the list of "dry" last week, every precinct giving a majority for prohibition.

—Judge Pratt decides that McQuade, the New York boodle alderman, must serve the sentence of seven years and pay the fine of \$5,000.

—The assessed value of property under the new law in Woodford county is \$7,914,035, an increase of nearly two million over last year.

—Thirty thousand pounds of powder exploded in a dry-house at Goes Station, O., causing great damage to property, but no loss of life.

—Madison's assessment is increased some \$3,000,000 by the new law and the total taxable value of the property of the county is \$10,000,000.

—In Bangor, Maine, there are just 140 liquor saloons open. It seems that prohibition does prohibit prohibition, at least.

—A dwelling belonging to Deputy Collector Baldwin, at Nicholasville, and occupied by Jeff Rowland, burned on Friday night; no insurance.

—William Agnew, January 3, killed his wife in their home at Palmyra, N. J., and slept with the body until the crime was discovered on the 14th.

—Frank James, the retired bandit, is in St. Louis seeking employment, failing to secure which, he will engage in a small business on his own account.

—George Hearst has been nominated by the democrats of the California Legislature to be U. S. Senator, but unfortunately a nomination is not exactly equal to an election.

—A fire in the penitentiary at Frankfort destroyed the furniture, broom and shoe departments, the loss on the building and stock being estimated at \$75,000; insurance, \$50,000. None of the convicts escaped.

—Upper Table Rock, on the Canadian side at Niagara Falls, has fallen. Piled up below is a mass of rock 1,000 feet in length, 60 in width and 170 in depth, covered by hundreds of tons of ice, which fell with it.

—In the criminal court in Lawrence county Tom Carter was sentenced to the penitentiary for life as an accomplice in the murder of Fisher Marcom. Pod Marcom, who did the killing, has been sentenced to be hung.

—Robert Evans Sproule, an American citizen was hanged in Victoria, B. C., last week, for murder he could not have committed, being many miles away. A brother of Sproule has sued the Province for \$50,000 damages.

—Gen. Wickham told the strikers at Newport News that if they would return to work at old wages he would after three months consider their application for an increase. They went to work and the military was withdrawn.

—At New Boston, Ill., James F. Dougherty shot and killed his sweetheart, Miss Berna Benedict and then put a bullet through his own brain, each of them dying instantly. Both the victims of insane jealousy were highly respected.

—Miss Lucy Stanley, who lives two miles from Evansville, on valuable property of her own, has been chosen to succeed her recently deceased sister, Emma Stanley, as Queen of the Gypsies in the United States. She has gone to the headquarters of the tribe at Dayton, O., to attend the funeral of her sister, after which she will be crowned. She is 19 years old and prepossessing in appearance.

—Isaac Sprague, known as the living skeleton, died in a museum at Chicago last week. The weight of the body was 40 lbs. The result of the autopsy was: Cause of death, pneumonia; cause of singular skeletal appearance, muscular atrophy. The other organs were in a healthy condition. There was a lateral curvature of the spine which was very marked. He had sold his body to Harvard College for \$1,000.

—A year ago Melvin Butler murdered John Macoy; he was tried, convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for life. His partner in the crime, Skinny Hess, escaped by turning State's evidence. He was yesterday sentenced to the penitentiary for five years for a robbery committed the same night. Butler has never been sent prison, however, and it is two to one that the robber will begin his punishment before the murderer. This is the way Kentucky justice works. —[Post.]

MY VERNON, ROCKCASTLE COUNTY.

—We understand that Gentry Evans was married Sunday.

—This division of the L. & N. ran 21 trains last Friday.

—Rev. Pope, of Knox county, preached at the Christian church Sunday.

—The drawings of the Louisiana Lottery still disappoint a number of its patrons at this place.

—Mr. J. L. Henzman, the German gentleman, who advertises to open a German school in Stanford, taught a session at this place last spring and gave general satisfaction to his pupils.

—Wm. Pryor and Miss Lizzie Ward, of Mareburg, this county, were married Thursday. License were issued Saturday to Mr. A. L. Hurst, of Brodhead to wed Miss Susie Harris.

—Miss Alice Lewis is teaching a subscription school at the Core, near Pleasant Valley. W. R. Cross is teaching one at Pine Hill and Mrs. T. L. Daniels opens one at this place this week.

—The Kansas railroad, of which Mr. L. S. Jones, one of our former citizens, is president, held a meeting in Louisville last week and determined to push the road to completion. The road is to start from some point in Kansas and run to El Paso, Texas. They are backed by New York capitalists and something like a thousand miles of road is to be built.

—Mr. Joe Bullio, a member of the firm of Vaz & Bullio, who built the masonry on the K. C. Extension, was here Sunday and informed us that they had the contract for all the masonry on the C. V. Branch from Corbin to Pineville. This firm made many friends among our people while at work on the K. C. and we are glad to know they have succeeded in making money as well as friends in their several contracts since they were with us.

—"Since the grand jury has adjourned a number of the boys have returned," from various—chestnut-bang—a prostrate form—an infuriated "return," stands above it with a huge club. After slightly recovering and promising faithfully to do so no more the paragrapher is told to go his way in peace, and was admonished to refrain in the future from referring to the "good hunting in the big woods now." "The fish are biting well" or about digging fish worms in the snow," of course he will not do it again, though its rather difficult to tell "the same old tale" in a new way court after court, and the paragrapher should have your sympathy in his efforts to keep you posted in the movements of the "boys."

—Circuit court adjourned Friday at 10 o'clock. The attachment suit of J. B. Tye vs. The Nickel Plate Coal Co., at East Bernstadt, brought to this court by change of venue from London, came up before Judge Morrow Wednesday. The attachment was discharged. Johnson, the man who has been in jail some days charged with wife beating, was released, no witnesses appearing. J. K. McClary was appointed Master Commissioner and S. L. Whitehead Trustee of the Jury Fund. The grand jury found about 75 indictments, principally against persons carrying concealed weapons and those selling liquor. The following lawyers not mentioned in last report, were here during the latter part of the week: C. W. Lester, H. F. Finley, Williamsburg; W. G. Welch, Stanford; W. O. Hanford, Crab Orchard; Robert Cook, Redville; A. L. Byron, Manchester.

—Mrs. C. D. Woods came up from Hus tonville Friday to see her sister, Mrs. S. W. Parrie. Mrs. S. E. Higgins, their mother, from Kerkville, is also here. Our young friend, W. E. Smith, of London, has been appointed section foreman at Pine Hill. Mr. J. A. Ferrell, for some time assistant agent at Pine Hill and recently agent at Loretto, has been assigned to the London office instead of Mr. J. M. Puckett resigned, to go into other business. Mr. Green Moore, who has been living here for last year, returned to his home at Temple, Ga., and writes that he was married last week. Mrs. Rowze and children, of Nashville, arrived here Saturday. T. H. Clay went to the cities Monday. Mr. Walker Felt, of the Danville Tribune, was canvassing for his paper here Thursday. G. W. Hookins has secured a position at Pleasant View as engineer. James R. Cook has returned to law school in Louisville. Charles M. Randall, of London, came down Saturday and returned same day. Dr. Johnston was called here to day to see Mrs. S. W. Parrie, who has been very low. She is some better at this writing. Frank P. Kirby has returned from a trip to Garrard, and Andrew Baker after a brief visit to Stanford.

POULTRY VERSUS BEEF.—To bring an ox to a weight of 1,200 to 1,400 pounds, fit for the butcher, requires four years or longer in the point of time. The beef will pay 5 or 6 per cent. upon cost of food and outlay—never over 8 per cent. if bred in the Eastern States. In six months from the shell the same value in poultry—say \$100 to \$125—can be produced, grown and marketed, at one third the cost for feeding and investment. —[Poultry World.]

An inquiry, addressed to the postmaster of a town in Kansas, brings back the startling reply: "There is not a church nor a church member in our town." Think of it! A whole community in the heart of our christian land, so entirely unrescued by the gospel, that not one person called by the christian name can be found in it! Here certainly is a field for somebody to cultivate. —[The Interior.]

Negroes who are political hoodlums, who vote for pay and sell their race for the value of a glass of beer, and whose latest breath is falsehood, may hope to profit by being slaves to a set of men who hoodlize them, but they will find that it won't pay. —[American Baptist (Colored).]

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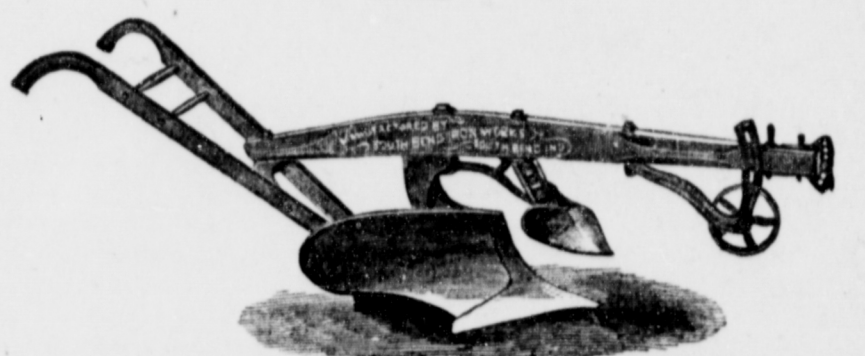
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## A BEAUTIFUL EAR.

### SINGULAR CASE OF A PATHETIC OUTGROWTH OF SENSIBILITY.

Story Told to an Expert in Nervous Affections—A Particularly Hideous Pair of Ears—A Sort of Holy Grail Quest.

I heard of a pathetic outgrowth of nervous sensibility the other day. A professional man who lives at the West End, and who is not only a painfully self-conscious man, but also one given to observing things about him with great minuteness, has become so acutely susceptible to the essential ugliness of the human ear that he scarcely sees anything else in the human face but the ears. To a physician, an expert in nervous affections, whom he was wise enough to consult, this gentleman told his story somewhat after this fashion: "It was as many as five or six years ago that the sight of a particularly hideous pair of ears, one of which had been slit in a ghastly manner in some accident or fight, set me to reflecting on the extraordinary caprice of Providence in setting, in the most conspicuous place upon the head of its curious earthly achievement, such utterly absurd and unsightly convivances as human ears. The ears are useful, no doubt; but might not an infinite ingenuity and an omnipotent choice have provided man with an auditory appliance less hideous than this convoluted excrescence?"

#### STUDYING IT UP.

"I was led to ask myself, is there any such thing as a beautiful human ear? I looked up all the passages in polite literature in which the human ear is referred to, and found not only that such passages are extremely few, but that the beauty referred to—all the comparisons, of delicate, pink edged femininity, the translucent interiors of sea shells, and the like, are simply comparative. No poet ever thought, so far as I could find, of finding absolute beauty in the ear. It is only as a pendant or an accompaniment, less hideous than usual, to the beautiful head and face of a lovely woman, that the actual ear itself, as apart from the faculty of hearing, ever becomes tolerable in poetry. In art the ear is a thing to be dissimulated; no realist was ever so unblushing as faithfully to paint the ear as it is. Photography reveals it in all its ugliness; but poetry bears the same relation to it that the discretion of the body does to the love of humanity."

"The running of these through my mind led me to start a sort of Holy Grail quest for a really beautiful human ear, and at the same time I found myself searching out, whenever I got upon a street car or a railway train, and as I walked down the crowded streets, all the ugliest ears, with the instinctive eagerness of a connoisseur. The ear habit grew upon me. I became a sort of collector of ears. When I came into a railway train filled with people, my eye ran down the long rows of ears next the aisle to see whether there was a vacancy in the devious lines that I might fill with my own. That row of ears, to a man who had fallen into the habit of observing nothing else but the ears, was horribly suggestive of a sea serpent!"

#### NOTHING BUT EARS, EARS, EARS.

"I say that all this began five or six years ago; but, of course, my mania—for such it has become—did not all at once take this serious form. It has been a gradual growth. Now I find it threatening, perhaps not my mental balance, for I feel as able of maintaining that, but my sense of sight as to the ears, and all my old sensibility to the beauty of the human form and the loveliness of life about me. My old keen sense of the beautiful I have, as a fallen angel might lament the joys of paradise. For me there is nothing in the world but ears, ears, ears. The pleasure that I sometimes feel in meeting a specimen less hideous than the rest does not repay me for the offense which the uniform dead level of ill-shapen growth inflicts upon me; and as I am resolved, if medical science can do anything for so strange a malady, to take the utmost possible advantage of it, if it could so influence my organs of sight as to make it impossible for me ever again to see the human ear at all, it would be a consummation devoutly to be wished."

I understand that the eminent physician consulted in this case was completely nonplussed for a time, but has at last succeeded in so influencing the sufferer's thoughts and attention by diverting them to other channels that he is already somewhat less poignantly conscious of the ears he sees; that the doctor is, in fact, fighting the old mania with a new one, and intends to check the new before it, in its turn, takes possession of the patient, as did the other. The case, I have no doubt, will suggest to more than one reader something of a similar sort in his knowledge or experience. It is only one of many morbid outgrowths of the keen consciousness, the rawness of sensibility that overwork and intense mental strain have superinduced.—Boston Post.

#### Support of Home Artists.

One artist said that the dealers did more in foreign pictures in a day in actual money than the studios with their scores of artists in a month. There is no more conclusive proof that support is lacking than is found in the fact that young artists just now are compelled to neglect their serious work and do what they can of an ephemeral or business-like character in order to meet their actual bread and butter bills. The rent has to be paid, even if customers do not come, dinner has to be bought and tobacco must be had. So if the great picture on the easel cannot be sold for \$1,000, why something must be done which will sell immediately for \$10. And so these young fellows get into all kinds of picaresque work.

A sculptor in the city here, who has done two or three notable pieces of work, supported himself and his family during the time he was laboring on what is now a favorite work with the public by drawing designs for theatrical posters. He made no secret about it, and said simply that he could make more money in a shorter time by this work than by any other. He had done other theatrical work. He had gotten up dainty drawings for souvenir books and illustrations for special programmes, but none of them was so profitable as taking a piece of charcoal and with a few sweeping strokes picture forth the thrilling climax of a melodramatic play, with the heroine in the arms of the hero and the villain properly and artistically foiled. Book and magazine illustration is another way in which artists who are skillful draughtsmen earn quick money. Some of them have done so well at it that they give now nearly all their time to it and are employed and depend on for this work by two big publishers.—New York Mail and Express.

#### A Locomotive Fireman's Work.

"I don't know of a harder worked man than the locomotive fireman," said an old engineer. "The average man thinks that all the fireman has to do is to stick in the coal and occasionally throw in a pile of wood or a shovel of coal. The truth is that from the time the fireman leaves his outgoing station until he reaches the end of his run it is almost a constant struggle to keep up steam."—Arkansas Traveler.

## THE SONG HE NEVER WROTE.

His thoughts were song, his life was singing; Men's hearts like harps he held and smote, But in his heart went ever ringing, Ringing, the song he never wrote.

Hovering, pausing, luring, fleeting, A further blue, a brighter more, The vanished soul of swift winds meeting, The opal swept beneath the boat;

A gleam of wings forever flaming, Never folded in nest or cot; Secrets of joy, past name or naming; Measure of bliss, past dole or rote;

Echoes of music, always flying, Always echo, never the note; Pulse of life, past life, past dying— All these in the song he never wrote.

Dead at last, and the people, weeping, Turned from his grave with wringing hands— "What shall we do, now he lies sleeping, His sweet song silent in our hands?"

"Just as his voice grew clearer, stronger"— This was the thought that keenest smote—"O Death! couldst thou not spare him longer? Alas, for the songs he never wrote!"

—Helen Hunt Jackson.

#### POETS OF ONE POEM.

Wolf, Gray, Woodworth, and Payne Remembered for a Single Poem.

An interesting list might be made of single poem poets, and an instructive essay be written on their lives and works. Single Speech has a list of many poets, though but one has become famous. And Charles Wolf wrote more than the "Burial of Sir John Moore," yet by this one poem will be always remembered. So, too, George Withers' "Shall I Wasting in Despair" is only the best known of a large number of poems—some of them quite equal to it, from a critical point of view, perhaps superior. Shirley would hardly be remembered by general readers but for his fine ode, "The Glories of Our Blood and State." Thomas, of Celano, would be forgotten but for "Dies Irae," and those great national hymns, the "Star Spangled Banner," the "Wacht am Rhein," the "Marseillaise" and "God Save the Queen," may be accounted famous works of single poem poets.

Many poets who talk of Ben Jonson would be puzzled to quote a single line except from his "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes," and, though Waller's name is so well known, he is more often recognized as the writer of the lines on a giraffe than on account of anything else. Thomson's "Rule Britannia" has earned him more fame than his "Seasons" or his epistle on Newton; and more people know Gray's "Elegy" than have ever read his "Odes." Samuel Woodworth wrote the "Old Oaken Bucket," but who wrote "Ben Bul" and "The Old Continentals"? It is but seldom that one writer is fortunate enough to produce two such well known pieces as Campbell's "Hobdinden" and "Ye Mariners of England," while Dibdin, though he wrote so much that once was popular, would be almost forgotten now but for "Tom Bowling." Such a list might be greatly prolonged. Lady Ann Lyndsay's "Auld Robin Gray," William Spenser's "Death of Geleert," and Gay's "How Happy Could I Be With Either," might all be cited, and many more; but enough has been said to show how little even the best critics can judge of a poet's powers by a single specimen, and how much accident, if it can be termed, of one happy line or one good melody may have to do with the fame of a writer who would otherwise be unknown. These remarks apply with greater force to song writers than to any other versifiers. A good first line often makes a song, and still more a good tune, without which, indeed, it would be almost impossible to achieve. John Howard Payne only wrote the words, not the melody, of "Home, Sweet Home."—Henry Waterson in Courier-Journal.

#### Energetic Russell Sage.

If there is a man in New York who is propelled by steam it is Russell Sage. When he steps out of his office upon the street he goes shooting up, down or across Broadway as if driven by an unseen and uneasy power. No one ever saw Mr. Sage quiet unless when asleep, and even then he probably twists and jerks like an eel. At his office he receives a caller with mechanical exactness, mechanically pumped and worked at a rapid rate, and unless the visitor puts in his time with much celerity it makes Mr. Sage crawl all over with apprehension that a second will be lost. He never sits still in a chair—in truth, he prefers to stand.

There is probably no more miserable man in New York than Mr. Sage on the witness stand. When he had to swear in the elevated railroad cases he settled into his chair as if the hand of fate had struck him; he held on to himself as if to keep his soul from flying from his body, and when he was released he grabbed his hat, shot out of the court room and was on his way to his office as if pursued by the Evil One. Mr. Sage takes the elevated up from his office after business hours, walks pell mell from the Forty-second street station into Forty-third street, jumps into his carriage and is whirled into the street in a jiffy and off through the park. When he can't keep in motion any other way he twitches his facial muscles and nervously works his hands.—New York Tribune.

#### A Boston Story.

A youngster of the female sex had just commenced her school life. She found herself one day in a little group of other school children who were further advanced than she was. They were telling each other what books they were "in" in school and making as much as they could out of the subject. She could not stand it. Even to her infantile mind the meaner position she held in that company was clear. But she did not mean to be quite out of the discussion. So she took advantage of a pause in the talk and burst in with her list:

"I'm in a primer and a slate and a pencil and a sponge!"—San Francisco Chronicle.

#### Professor Morse's First Lecture.

I remember hearing Professor Morse deliver his first lecture on telegraphy. It was in a small schoolhouse in a country town in Pennsylvania. He had an assistant with him and they arranged a wire around the room, and, sitting a few yards apart, communicated to each other what was dictated by any one of the audience. No one believed it to be anything but a hoax, and we all laughed at the idea of talking over a wire as Mr. Morse explained.—Steamboat Inspector in Globe-Democrat.

#### Ought to Draw the Line.

Since they have introduced "Lullaby" into "The Chimes of Normandy" and "Nearer, My God, to Thee" into "Faust," and "The Last Rose of Summer" into the "Mikado," it's pretty hard to tell whether you are attending a nursery, a prayer meeting, singing school or an opera. They ought to draw the line somewhere.—The Living Church.

#### Mark Twain Explains.

Mark Twain explains why he does not like to come to New York with his wife. "She is very anxious to have every one think she dresses like a New Yorker," he says, "and yet whenever she buys anything in a store in this city the clerk is sure to ask: 'What hotel shall I send this to, ma'am?'"

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## FROM THE ASIAN SEA.

### PECULIARITIES OF THE MALAYS WHO LIVE IN NEW YORK.

Gregariousness of the Colony in Their Various Relations of Life—Amusement of Turtle Fighting—Gambling—Matrimony—Boarding House—Religion.

So far as the western world is concerned the Malay is a sea nomad. Those who have settled in New York came there as seamen, who intended to return by the same ship, but who by accident or other cause were obliged to remain until they were more or less attached to their new home. In the years they have grown by accretion until they form a legitimate colony similar to those of the Chinese, the Italians and the Poles. This colony rises and falls in number according to the nationality of foreign seamen in port. It never falls below 300, and sometimes rises as high as 1,500. The Malay, contrary to popular belief, is not a pure blooded race, so far as the New York representatives are concerned. A leading man in the Sixth ward, Nik de la Cruz, is the heir of a Falastini, a round, full face, more like a German than of any other nationality, a warm sepi complexion, long blue black hair that breaks in heavy curls upon his shoulders, and the physiognomy of an ideal philanthropist. Min Goo, who is equally popular in Oriental circles, and who runs a queer gambling house in Mott street, is thin, wiry, fierce featured, straight haired, yellow skinned and cat like in ways and actions. Malaba, a third, is almost European in his physiognomy, but as dark as a Louisiana negro in hair and skin. These differences are, perhaps, attributable to the fact that most of those in the metropolis come from Manila and other Malay seaports, where from time immemorial there has been a constant intermingling of all the Oriental races.

#### GREGARIOUSNESS—AMUSEMENTS.

Like all the eastern people, they are habituated to the practices made needful by a dense population. No matter where they are they crowd together. It is not uncommon for fifteen or twenty to sleep together in a room of 12 by 20 dimensions. In conversation they squat or stand together till almost all engaged are in personal contact. When they visit a liquor saloon or one of the dance halls so common in the lower wards, they go in flocks of five or more. The gregariousness extends to almost all the relations of life, and in some Malaysian communities enters the marital relation, producing that singular custom, polyandry.

Their amusements are few and simple. The most remarkable of these is turtle fighting. Two snapping turtles are carefully selected and trained. The best for sporting purposes are those that weigh from fifteen to twenty pounds apiece. Lighter ones are immature and not so muscular. Heavier ones are lazy, slow and less vindictive. The training consists in teaching them three times a day with a bamboo rod and allowing them to hang from this by the hour after they once take hold. The only diet is raw meat and red pepper, even water being tabooed. The day before the fight the teeth and jaws are examined, overhauled, filed and scraped till they resemble knife edges.

The fight is conducted in a small ring not more than a yard in diameter. The snappers are produced and washed and each tasted by the seconds of the other. This is done to prevent coyness or poisonous drugs being placed upon the snappers. The turtles are placed on the mouth, nose and eyes of the opposite antagonist. They are then irritated in the usual style with a sharp rod until nearly frenzied, and then placed in the center of the ring. There is neither wait nor running away. Each snaps at the other simultaneously. The best hold is an oblique hold. This enables the one that catches to reach the carotid artery and the windpipe without being compelled to bite through the massive cartilages of the neck. Next to this is a straight neck hold, in which the two jaws strike against the top and bottom of the other. The third is a side hold, in which the jaws strike against the two sides of the neck. Poorer of all is the leg hold. This is regarded by all Oriental sports as the acme of unintelligence, because if both the snappers take leg holds the fight is lengthened out interminably. The combat is to the death—one of the turtles always being killed and frequently both.

#### GAMBLING—MARRIAGE—RELIGION.

The Malays, like the Chinese are great gamblers. Their favorite games for which we have no name in English, suggest (and a few resemble) faro, lottery, roulette, odd and even, dominoes and dice. Many of them have learned the American national game and draw and bluff with the same freedom of a Morrocco or a Ransom. In the home life they have made in the new world the Malays are industrious, affectionate and domestic. When they marry they pick out if possible a German woman, next to her a daughter of Erin, then a lady of color, and last of all an American. Why they prefer this order has never been ascertained. Nik de la Cruz is married to a German widow, who speaks but little English and he speaks even less German. When asked why he married her he said: "German women are not pretty, but they never get drunk; they don't fight; they work hard; they're good housekeepers, and they have lots of children." When married they herd together the same as when single. A typical boarding house in "Baxter Street Bend" is a compartment on the ground floor, about fourteen feet wide by seventy long broken up by partitions into six rooms. Of these the front room is the office and store. The next, a compartment fourteen by twenty feet, is the living and sleeping place of the boarders, who vary from a couple of twenty in number. The third room, Nik's wife and smaller children, in the fourth his larger children. The fifth is dining room and kitchen combined. The sixth and last is the store room. Such a place costs from \$55 to \$70 a month rent and net its proprietor about \$3,000 per annum.

The Malays have been taught so many religions that they may be truthfully said to have none. Missionaries and zealots from the Buddhist, Mohammedan, Roman Catholic and Confucian faiths are found in every town and hamlet of Malaysia. They outdo each other in the preparation of a new religion. Unlike the latter, they adapt themselves to their surroundings and become integral units of the community. They teach persistently. As a result the Malay faith as seen in New York is a vague mixture of all the religions named.—New York Cor. Cleveland Leader.

#### Dared Them to Hang Him.

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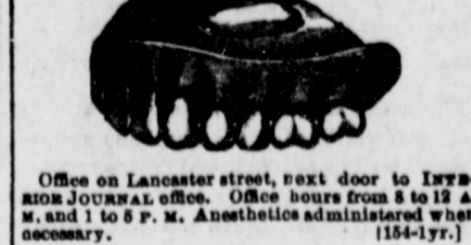
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